

**SPECIAL MEETING NORTH SMITHFIELD TOWN COUNCIL**

**MAY 4, 2015**

**KENDALL-DEAN SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

**7:00 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M. and began with the prayer and the pledge to the flag. Council members present were Mrs. Nadeau, Mr. Zwolenski and Mr. Boucher. Ms. Alves arrived a little later. (Mr. Alter deceased). Also in attendance was Town Solicitor Igliazzi.

**PRESENTATION OF CITATIONS TO NORTH SMITHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL BOYS HOCKEY TEAM**

Citations were presented to the boys' high school hockey team and coaches to recognize the outstanding season they had and to recognize the achievement of winning the Division II State Championship.

**MOTION** by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mrs. Nadeau, and voted 3 to 0 on a roll call vote to take a five-minute recess at 7:15 P.M.

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The meeting resumed at 7:17 P.M.

**HOLIDAY SALES LICENSE - WALGREEN EASTERN CO., INC. D/B/A WALGREENS**

**MOTION** by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mrs. Nadeau, and voted 3 to

**0 on a roll call vote to approve a holiday sales license for Walgreen Eastern Co., Inc. d/b/a Walgreens #15622 located at 1 Eddie Dowling Highway.**

**RECONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE MAKING MOWRY ROAD A ONE-WAY STREET**

**MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mrs. Nadeau, and voted 3 to 0 on a roll call vote to move this item up next on the agenda.**

**Mr. Zwolenski read the following email into the record: “Dear Council Members, As Public Safety Director and after a brief discussion with the Town of Burrillville Town Manager, the DPW director concerning plowing and trash collection that has to detour to get back to the few residents affected by the one-way, and hearing from the many residents who signed a petition to voice their concerns, it would seem prudent to reverse the one way sign, if you so choose. The issue at hand is that the first 400 feet or so of the road is owned by North Smithfield, but the remainder of the road is owned by the Town of Burrillville, therefor creating a problem. I can also see the barrier to the many Burrillville residents that use Mowry as their main means of access. In addition, on a weekly basis, hundreds of people use Mowry for access to Country View Golf Course. This may impede business for them. Perhaps we can remove the signs and revert back to the original two way section of the street, to be compatible with the remainder of the street. I will await your response. Thank you”**

**Mrs. Nadeau said she had spoken with Mr. Richer and he is amenable to giving up a portion of his land to make the intersection wider.**

**Mr. Donald Tessier and Jeanne Grassi were also willing to give up some land but they want the donation to be even and fair.**

**It was suggested that North Smithfield's Town Planner and DPW Director meet with Burrillville's Town Planner and DPW Director to work on a plan.**

**(Ms. Alves arrived at 7:32 P.M.)**

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**MOTION by Mrs. Nadeau, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 0 on a roll call vote to enter into executive session at 7:33 P.M. pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(A)(2) Sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation, or work sessions pertaining to the same to discuss the Interjurisdictional Water and Wastewater Agreements with the City of Woonsocket and Jason Rihcer v. Town of North Smithfield et al C.A. No. 15-162.**

**MOTION by Mrs. Nadeau, seconded by Mr. Boucher, and voted 4 to 0 on a roll call vote to come out of executive session at 8:36 P.M. and to seal the minutes. No motions were made and no votes were taken on either item.**

## **ABATEMENTS**

Based upon the research done by the Tax Assessor, the Finance Director and the Town Asministrator, MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mrs. Nadeau, and voted 4 to 0 on a roll call vote to approve the abatements for MCS Enterprises - \$3,376.96; MCS Enterprises - \$2,371.07; MCS Enterprises - \$8,737.27; Gordon Ondis - \$2,377.37; and Nissan Infiniti LT - \$486.24 for a total of \$17,348.91 as well as an addenda for Material Equipment in the amount of \$1,810.57. Total abatements minus addenda equals \$15,538.34.

## **CONTRACT FOR STATISTICAL REVALUATION**

MOTION by Mrs. Nadeau, seconded by Mr. Boucher, and voted 4 to 0 on a roll call vote to enter into an agreement with Northeast Revaluation Group LLC pursuant to the recommendation of Tax Assessor Dolce in an amount not to exceed \$76,800.

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MOTION by Mr. Boucher, seconded by Mrs. Nadeau, and voted 4 to 0 on a roll call vote to authorize the Town Administrator to execute the document.

## **RESOLUTION RE: TAX STABILIZATION ORDINANCE**

Several months ago Mr. Dolce had analyzed the current ordinance

and reviewed what participants are saving in taxes and discovered that 19 out of 29 were actually paying more in taxes than if they were not participants. Mr. Dolce would like to correct this wrong.

A resolution will be prepared for the next meeting.

## **ORDINANCES RE: LOITERING AND SEX OFFENDER RESIDENCY RESTRICTIONS**

Mrs. Nadeau presented these ordinances noting that the State of Rhode Island currently has a restriction of three hundred feet for child safety zones and loitering. She believes three hundred feet is not enough for a rural town such as North Smithfield and following discussion with the other Council members this evening is recommending that it be increased to one thousand feet.

Mr. Igliozzi explained that if these ordinances pass, radius maps will have to be drawn and people will have to be notified.

These were placed on the next agenda for a first reading.

## **RESOLUTION RE: WOMEN'S LUNG HEALTH WEEK**

MOTION by Mrs. Nadeau, seconded by Mr. Zwolenski, and voted 4 to 0 on a roll call vote to approve the following resolution: "WHEREAS, Every five minutes, a woman in the U.S. is told she has lung cancer; and WHEREAS, Lung cancer is the #1 cancer killer of women in the U.S. and Rhode Island; and WHEREAS, The lung cancer death rate in

women has almost doubled over the past 37 years; and WHEREAS, Advocacy and increased awareness will result in more and better early detection and treatment for women with lung cancer and other lung diseases and will ultimately save lives; and WHEREAS, LUNG FORCE is the national movement led by the American Lung Association to unite women to stand together with collective strength and determination to lead the fight against lung cancer and for lung health. BE IT RESOLVED, North Smithfield hereby designates the second full week in May as Women's Lung Health Week throughout the community, and encourages all residents to learn more about the detection and treatment of lung cancer."

#### **NOTICE OF SMITHFIELD AMENDMENT TO THEIR ZONING ORDINANCE AND MAP**

**MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mr. Boucher, and voted 4 to 0 on a roll call vote to send this to the Planning Board for their review.**

#### **APPOINTMENT OF ACTING MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE**

**Because current Municipal Court Judge Jarret has a conflict of interest in an upcoming case, he has asked that someone else be appointed to preside over that case.**

**MOTION by Mr. Boucher, seconded by Mrs. Nadeau, and voted 3 to 1 on a roll call vote (Mr. Zwolenski voted no) to appoint Mr. Iglioizzi as the acting Municipal Court Judge.**

**MOTION by Mr. Zwolenski, seconded by Mrs. Nadeau, and voted unanimously on an aye vote to adjourn at 9:13 P.M.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Debra A. Todd, Town Clerk**